

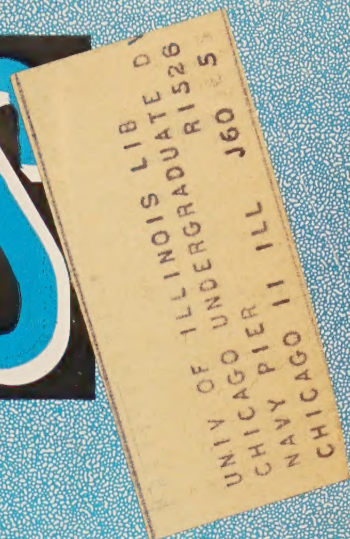
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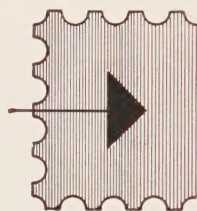
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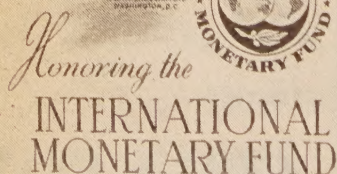
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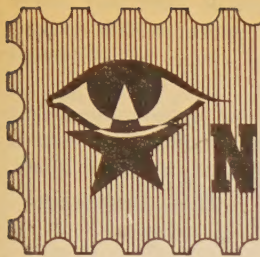


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Cover Rarities of B.W.I. in Harmer Rooke Sale

ONLY ONE cover exists with Dominica's 1886 error, a \$2,000 stamp which is one of the rarest British Colonials, and this is one of many unique or rare covers in the British West Indies collection of the late T. Charlton Henry of Chestnut Hill, Pa., which will be sold April 4-7 by Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc.

The Dominica error occurred in making the provisional ½p and 1p stamps of 1886. The "Half Penny" surcharge was intended for the 6p green, and the "One Penny" sur-

charge for the 1sh deep rose lilac. One sheet of 60 of the 6p green received the "One Penny" surcharge by mistake. Today no more than a dozen of the 1p on 6p stamps can be traced. They are valued by Scott at \$3,000 unused and \$2,000 used. The Henry collection also contains a superb off-cover used copy.

In his book, *Fabulous Stamps*, John W. Nicklin tells of the Treasurer of Dominica, a Mr. Porter, securing a dozen of the 1p on 6p green error in 1886. In June of that year, Porter sent 10 of these on a letter addressed to A. C. Emerson, an English dealer, asking him to return the cover after removing

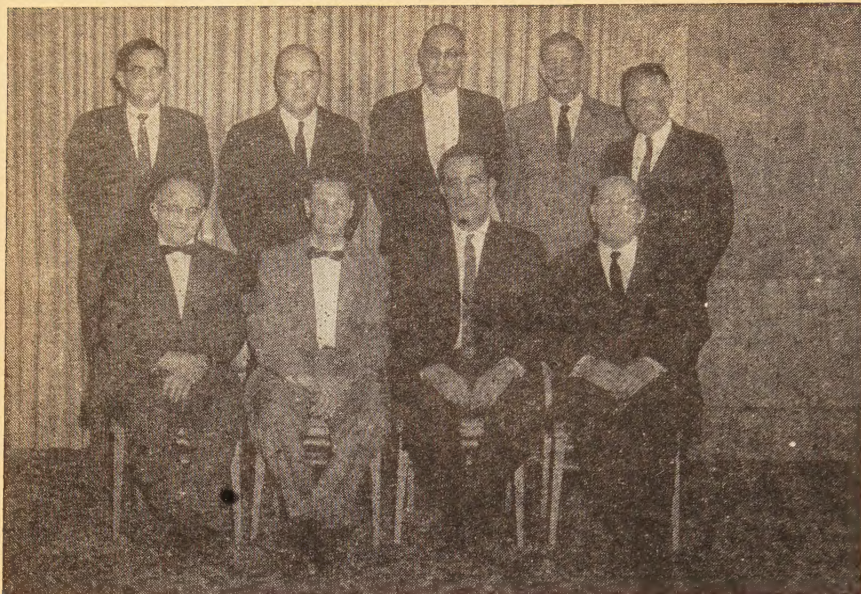
one stamp "for your collection . . . which you will oblige me by accepting." In 1892, Porter sold 10 of the errors for 5 shillings each to Emerson, who resold them at 10 shillings apiece.

One of the rarest Trinidad covers in the Henry collection carries a corner sheet-margin strip of three and a single of the no-denomination blue lithographed stamp (1p). This wrapper is addressed to Port of Spain and is considered unique. Mr. Henry bought it in 1906 from the New England Stamp Co. for \$360.

A superb pen-cancelled copy of the Lady McLeod blue stamp is found on another rare cover in the



Four standout covers from the T. Charlton Henry collection of British West Indies: The unique cover with Dominica's 1886 error, 1p on 6p (at extreme right of cover), a stamp cataloging \$2,000. Trinidad's lithographed 1p deep blue in sheet-margin strip of three and a single on a unique cover (a wrapper to Port of Spain). A superb Lady McLeod of 1847 on original wrapper. And a unique first day cover (Nov. 28, 1881) of St. Vincent #33, the 4p on 1sh vermilion. The Henry B.W.I. collection will be sold Apr. 4-7 by Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc.



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Henry collection. These stamps were issued April 24, 1847, and this folded letter to Port of Spain is dated four days later, April 28. The last paragraph of the letter reads:

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St. Vincent's 4p on 1sh vermilion provisional was issued Nov. 28,

1881, and a unique first day cover is one of the gems in the Henry collection. The cover is addressed to London and the stamp (Scott #33) is tied. This remarkable cover was shown at the 1926 International Philatelic Exhibition in New York.

—H. L. LINDQUIST

Metered Postage Arrangement Changed in West Germany

THE collecting of West German metered postage is very popular because of the great variety of them, which of course adds much interest. As collectors in this field know, most of these metered stamps are not affixed at the post offices, but by firms who buy a meter machine and receive postal authorization for its use.

Most West Germany meters show a slogan to advertise the firm using it or its products; this is in addition to the cancellation date and the numerals indicating the amount of postage paid on the particular piece of mail.

Hitherto the arrangement for these meters in West Germany was (from left to right) date-cancellation, slogan, numerals. Many months ago the Ministry of Posts decreed that the arrangement for machines under future production should be (left to right): slogan, date, cancellation, numerals. The decree also required that existing machines be similarly altered. From time to time, therefore, one sees the first pieces of mail coming through in the new arrangement from the various firms using the machines. This adds further interest to the collecting of them.

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C37	1948	5c Coil-Strip of 4.....45
C38	1948	5c New York Jubilee.....	.25	.75	1.75
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C39a	1949	6c Booklet Pane complete....	.95
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1961 U. S. & U. N. Issues

UNITED STATES

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Bill Schneider, Metuchen, New Jersey, shows us covers from the French Antarctic Territories, franked with the attractive stamps issued for that area, and postmarked "TERRE ADELIE 1-1, 1961 T.A.A.F." One of the covers was flown by helicopter from M/S Norsel, based at Dumont d'Urville. He also submits a cover from the U. S. Byrd Antarctica, dated Feb. 3, 1961, and bearing the "U. S. Geological Survey/U. S. Antarctica Research Program—1961" rubber-stamp cachet.

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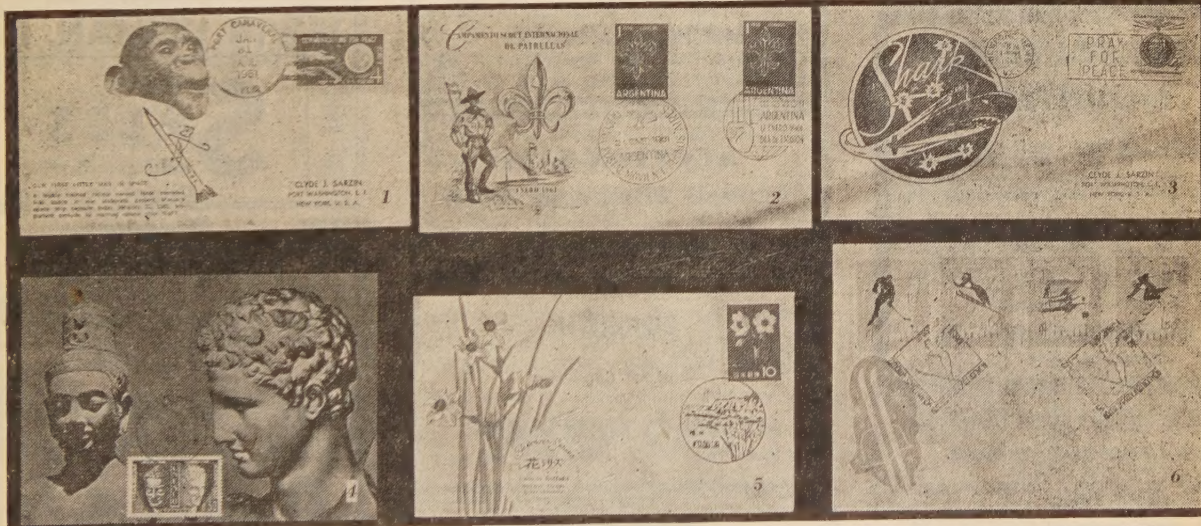
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THE FIRST of the series of five stamps marking the Civil War Centennial will be released at Charleston, South Carolina, on April 12, 1961. This stamp will establish the general pattern for the other four stamps, announced for issuance over a four-year period, 1962 to 1965.

The central subject of the stamp depicts a sea coast gun of the period, as representative of the ordnance used by both sides in the conflict. An officer in typical uniform of the time is shown sighting the piece. The background contains a decorative spray of palmetto leaves to suggest the geographical and political



Design of Fort Sumter Stamp

area of the opening of hostilities. Across the top of the stamp is the wording "Civil War Centennial" in white-face Gothic. Below this, and above the gun, the words "Fort Sumter" appear in dark-face modified Roman. Across the bottom of the stamp is the lettering "United States Postage 4c," in dark-face Gothic. The dates "1861" at the left and "1961" at the right are shown in modified white-face Roman.

In his initial statement announcing the Civil War Centennial series of commemorative stamps, Postmaster General J. Edward Day stated that Fort Sumter was selected for the first stamp in 1961 "to represent those early events of a century ago which tragically committed the nation's peoples in an armed struggle to create once and for all what the Declaration of Independence called a "more perfect union."

There will be 120,000,000 of these stamps, printed on the Cottrell presses, electric-eye perforated, in panes of fifty, in a color to be announced later. This stamp, measuring 0.84 by 1.44 inches, arranged horizontally, was designed by Charles R. Chickering of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Collectors desiring first day cancellations of the 4-cent Fort Sumter Civil War Centennial commemorative stamp may send addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmaster, Charleston, South Carolina. Each envelope must be marked, in pencil, in

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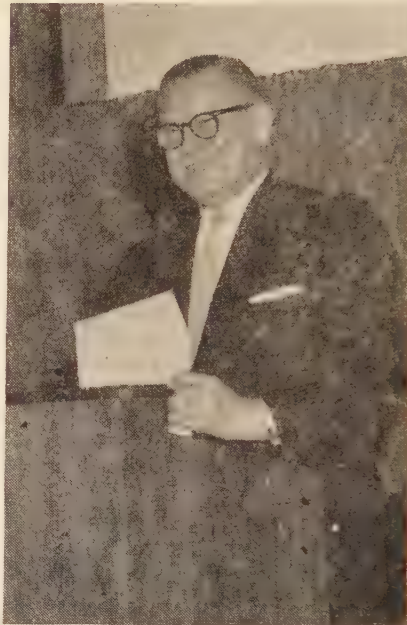
INTERPEX 1961

NEW YORK TRADE SHOW BUILDING — MARCH 17-19

THE 1961 INTERPEX, being held March 17-19 under the auspices of *Industrial Exhibitions, Inc.*, will have impressive opening ceremonies at 10:00 A.M. Friday, March 17th, at the New York Trade Show Building, 500 Eighth Avenue, New York City. *Robert K. Christenberry*, Postmaster of New York, will preside. In honor of the event *Mayor Robert F. Wagner* has proclaimed the week of March 12-18 as "International Stamp Week."

Twelve leading clubs of the New York area are participating, as also the People-to-People Hobbies Committee, and ten foreign countries. The Consuls of these governments are scheduled to be among those present at opening ceremonies, as well as other important dignitaries, including representatives from the Post Office Department in Washington, D. C., and the United Nations.

The theme of the show is "Fifty Years of Official Airmail Service", and among the special attractions will be an original Bleriot plane of 1910 and other historical aviation items. There will be many special exhibits in addition to those of participating stamp clubs. A selection of Bibles in different languages from various foreign countries will be displayed by the *American Bible Society*, in connection with the exhibit of the Bible on Stamps, about which a special story appears in this issue of STAMPS.



Robert K. Christenberry, Postmaster, New York, who will preside over Interpex opening ceremonies, March 17, at New York Trade Show Building.

There will be a striking collection of "Lincoln Photo Cachets", owned by *Daniel F. McGee*, telling the story of Lincoln's life in cachets and stamps. *Miss Beatrice Berner* will show her "Painters and Paintings" on stamps. Several of the famous collections of *Cardinal Spellman* will be on view.

The *Bronx County Stamp Club* will have an exhibit of over eighty frames of select material from the collections of its members; the *Aero*

Philatelists will present a 24-frame display with many interesting items; the *France & Colonies Group* will have a comprehensive exhibit of French rarities and specializations. The *Postal Slogan Cancel and Meter Society* will sponsor the largest combined display of postal slogan cancels and meters ever shown; the *Women's Philatelic Society* will show a wide variety of collections; and the *Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club* will have twenty-four frames of flight covers. *American Topical Association* chapters of the metropolitan area will have diversified exhibits.

Among the foreign governments having displays will be Finland, Belgium, Turkey, Poland, Luxembourg, and San Marino. The Crown Agents of London will take part with a display for the first time at an international stamp show. In addition to these, there will be displays by the United Nations Postal Administration, and the United States Post Office Department.

Courvoisier-Helio, of Switzerland, will exhibit for the first time in New York a specially prepared display of stamps produced by the exclusive heliogravure process. It will include multicolored postage stamps produced for nations in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America. Most of the latter will feature topical subjects, such as flora and fauna.

In addition to the *Bleriot* plane of the type which *Ovington* used in 1911 to carry the first official airmail from Garden City to Mineola, a Curtiss engine such as used on the earliest Curtiss aircraft will be on display. Also, a propeller from a DH-4, one from a Jenny, early air maps, and other related material from the collection of pre-1920 aircraft owned by *Cole Palen*, of New York.

The year 1911 is an important one in airmail history, and besides the *Ovington* flight of September in the U.S.A., there was the first official airmail flight in Allahabad, India, on February 18. This was followed by the flight between Windsor and London on the occasion of the Coronation of King George V in September.



Bleriot plane of 1910 vintage, similar to the one which flew the first airmail in 1911 between Garden City and Mineola, and which will be on display at Interpex 1961.

Club Meetings Scheduled at INTERPEX

AT THE International Stamp Exhibition INTERPEX, to be held at the Trade Show Building, 500 Eighth Avenue, between 35th and 36th Streets, New York City from March 17-19, the following clubs will hold meetings:

Saturday—March 18

- 12:00 Noon Postal Slogan Cancel & Meter Society
- 1:00 P.M. War Cover Club
- 2:00 P.M. Society of Applied Rock-etry
- 3:00 P.M. France & Colonies Group
- 4:00 P.M. Bronx County Stamp Club
- 5:00 P.M. American Topical Association
- 6:00 P.M. Women's Philatelic Society

Sunday—March 19

- 1:00 P.M. United Postal Stationery Society
- 2:00 P.M. Jet & Rocket Philatelic Society
- 3:00 P.M. Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club
- 4:00 P.M. Empire Stamp & Cover Club
- 5:00 P.M. Municipal Philatelic Society

All these meetings are open to members, friends, and guests. Some meetings will also include film presentations and interesting lectures.

An extensive historical exhibit will include airmail envelopes with the special markings used for these occasions, and some extremely interesting documents from the famous collection of *E. N. Pickerill*, of Mineola. Mr. Pickerill is vice president of the *Early Birds*, and president of the *Aviation Historical Association*. Incidentally, he has the distinction of having been present when the mail was loaded for the Garden City airmail flight in 1911.

The United States Post Office will also have a sub-station at the exhibition, and will provide both machine and hand cancellations for mail posted at the Show.

Two cacheted envelopes have been created for the occasion, dedicated to the theme of the Show, "Fifty Years of Official Airmail Service." One reproduces the three famous obliteration postmarks of Allahabad, India; Windsor, England; and Garden City, N. Y., all of the year 1911. The other cachet symbolizes the fifty years of progress in aviation, from the airplane to rockets and outer-space vehicles. These envelopes, each bearing a four-cent stamp, postmarked at the special INTERPEX



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There will also be a special envelope available from the *Postal Slogan Cancel and Meter Society* with a *Postalia* meter, incorporating a slogan for the INTERPEX exhibition in the postmark, at 10c each, available only at their lounge at the show, or by mail at 10c each plus a self-addressed, stamped No. 10 envelope, from *Moe Luff*, 12 Greene Road, Spring Valley, N. Y.

There will be a dealers' bourse at the show, where interesting material

will be available for purchase.

Miss Nita Talbot, NBC-TV star, has been selected as Miss Interpex of 1961. She is an avid philatelist, and often relaxes with her stamp collection during shooting sessions.

The official hours of the exhibition are: *Friday*, 12 Noon to 10 P.M.; *Saturday*, 10 A.M. to 10 P.M.; *Sunday*, 12 Noon to 8 P.M. Admission is \$1.00 for adults, 50c for children.

James F. Kelleher, Special Assistant to the Postmaster General, will be the guest of honor at the banquet on Saturday evening, March 18th. This event will be held in the Hotel New Yorker, across the street from the Trade Show Building. At that time prizes will be awarded by the participating clubs to winning collections. *John J. Britt* will act as toastmaster. During this event the *Aero Philatelists* will honor the old-time fliers who did so much to further the cause of mail-carrying by air in its early stages.

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There will be a special exhibition post office on the main exhibition floor, and a wide variety of recent commemoratives will be on sale.

A high spot on the extra activities schedule will be the participation of all members and guests in the celebration of the golden jubilee anniversary of the President Theodore Roosevelt Dam at Roosevelt, Arizona, on March 18. A special trek will be staged up the old scenic Apache Indian Trail from Phoenix to the Dam, which is the "granddaddy" of all water reclamation projects undertaken by the U. S. Government.

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A new list of International Geophysical Year, Antarctica and Other Space issues is available from Frank Warner, 109 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y., for return envelope.

In the February 18th advertisement of A. V. Galcius, Room 207, Woodward Bldg., Washington 5, D. C., #330 was incorrectly priced. Price should have read \$2.15.

A new price list of first day dated stamps (single stamps, off cover, with postmark of official first day city and date cancelled on the stamp) has been issued by Adam K. Bert, 351 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. Available to STAMPS readers for a stamped reply envelope.

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The Story Behind Poland's Largest Stamp

By EDWARD NOWAK SR.



The Battle of Grunwald on Poland's largest postage stamp.

THE largest adhesive ever to come from Poland is one of a set of three stamps issued to commemorate the "Grunwald Battle" (1410-1960) and released for sale July 15, 1960. The 2.50 zł. adhesive is necessarily large because it reproduces the famed painting by Jan Matejko, one of Poland's most expressive artists.

The 81 x 40.5 millimeters stamp was printed in one color by the State Printing Office in Warsaw from steel-engraved plates. This adhesive, and the other two smaller ones in the set, were designed by Czesław Kaczmareczyk.

These philatelic facts would usually suffice for most stamp collectors, but the avalanche of letters from U. S. and Canada to this writer's desk, requesting the story behind the intriguing adhesive, indicates exceptional interest in this particular design.

The date of July 15, 1960, is the 550th anniversary of the "Grunwald Battle" in which the united forces of Poland, Lithuania, and Ruthenia, under personal command of Poland's King Wladyslaw Jagiello, engaged the steel-clad forces of a German, presumably a religious order masquerading as Crusaders. The combined forces of King Jagiello achieved a great victory. This battle is also known and registered on pages of history as the "Battle of Tannenberg".

It was one of the most momentous armed combats of the mid-centuries, matched only by the First and Second World Wars of our times. The main cause of this historic battle was the expansionist ambitions of Germany, the establishment of colonialism, and the exploitation of Slavic and Baltic people.

This Polish victory over the steel-clad Teutonic Order brought to the forefront the "Teutonic Mission" over Baltic territories and wrote "finis" to claims of feudal German

lords in Central and Eastern Europe.

As early as 1351 *Winrich von Kniprode*, chief of the Order of German Crusaders, garnered territories of Poland and Lithuania under the guise of Christianizing the pagans; but in 1387 Lithuania embraced Christianity and formed a defense pact with Catholic Poland.

This Polish-Lithuanian union under one king, *Wladyslaw Jagiello*, only hastened the day of armed combat to determine settlement of differences. Regardless of a pact between Poland and the Crusaders, signed in 1343, "to keep eternal peace", the German Military Order made numerous attacks on the Lithuanians. This also started to bring about the Grunwald battle.

The presumably religious Order of Crusaders began to expand its aims, and soon started to control the Polish roadways leading to the markets of Flanders, England, Lithuania, and Ruthenia. The Order also choked the business arteries to Kujavia, Mazovia, Halicya, Ruthenia, through Poland to Hungary.

This strangling of Slavs and Lithuanians finally brought the situation to the point of explosion. It was the head of the Crusaders, *Ulrich von Jungingen*, who began the war by invading on August 6, 1409, the Polish city of Dobrzyn, on the banks of the Wisla river. They completely annihilated the forces of a small fortified castle. Ulrich repeated this merciless annihilation in several other Polish settlements where none was spared, women, children, and old folks sharing the same fate as the rest of the population.

These provocations caused the King of Poland to call on his knights to take up arms. The Polish forces were joined by Lithuanians and Ruthenians in the march to halt the invaders. On the terrain of Stebark-Lodwigowo the heavily armed Crusaders formed part of the battle lines, the remaining portion being

of the German Order. The steel-clad knights of *Ulrich von Jungingen*, mounted on armor-protected horses, took a position on the outskirts of Grunwald. Then ensued the greatest battle of the century. Poland's King Jagiello personally led his mounted knights, and after a furious assault, conquered the Crusaders, the best armed and trained warriors of that era.

Jan Matejko, whose "Grunwald Battle" painting is reproduced on the stamp we are discussing, started this work in 1855; it was not until 1878 that he completed this enormous creation, which measures four meters in height and ten meters in length.

The Matejko painting was exhibited in the years since 1878 at Vienna, Warsaw, Petersburg, Lwow, Budapest, Berlin, and Paris. During the first world war the canvas was evacuated to Moscow for safekeeping. After eight years in Moscow it was returned to Poland and restored to its original place in the Museum of Arts, better known as "Zachecie".

The canvas was endangered during the Nazi invasion of Poland in the second world war. Owing to its size it was difficult to find a vehicle large enough to transport it safely. After escaping damage in a Nazi air raid, it was taken out of the frame, rolled up, and hidden in a specially built camouflaged counter in the hall of the Lublin Museum.

Even the stamp reproducing this great masterpiece, when viewed under a magnifying glass, reveals the genius of Jan Matejko. The hand-to-hand combat is clearly defined; the terror and agony of the mortally wounded is seen in the expressions on their faces.

The stamp will have even more meaning for you if, after viewing it, you read the book "Crusaders", by *Henryk Sienkiewicz*. Here you will find a truly moving "story behind the stamp."

CANADA

Scott	Description	Unused	Used	Scott	Description	Unused	Used
46	20c Vermillion	7.00	2.75	156	12c Bridge	.45	.28
47	50c Blue	9.25	1.50	157	20c Carmine	.65	.28
50	1/2c Jubilee	2.60	2.40	158	50c Yachts	5.75	2.50
51	1c Orange	.22	.18	159	1/2c Parliament	14.50	4.95
52	2c Green	.45	.35	160	1c Orange Coil	1.35	.95
53	3c Rose	.35	.09	161	2c Green Coil	.35	.04
54	5c Deep Blue	1.20	.98	162	1c Orange	.08	.03
55	6c Yellow Brown	5.75	5.50	163	1c Green	.06	.02
56	8c Dark Violet	1.80	1.60	164	2c Green	.06	.02
57	10c Br Violet	2.75	2.60	165	2c Red	.06	.02
58	15c Steel Blue	4.50	4.00	166	2c Brown	.09	.02
59	20c Vermilion	5.25	5.00	166b	Die I.	.25	.20
60	50c Ultramarine	7.00	6.00	167	3c Carmine	.08	.02
61	1/2c Lake	21.00	19.00	168	4c Bistre	.22	.12
62	2/2c Dark Purple	44.00	21.00	169	5c Violet	.20	.16
63	3/2c Bistre	54.00	42.50	170	5c Blue	.18	.04
64	4/2c Purple	58.00	44.00	171	8c Blue	.65	.55
65	5/2c Olive Green	57.00	42.00	172	8c Orange	.26	.20
66	1/2c Black (1897)	.15	.12	173	10c Library	.40	.08
67	1c Green	.40	.03	174	12c Citadel	.45	.20
68	2c Purple	.35	.04	175	20c Tractor	.60	.05
69	3c Carmine	.55	.03	176	50c Chapel	8.50	.50
70	5c Dark Blue	1.50	.35	177	1/2c Rocky Mts	6.25	1.95
71	6c Brown	1.80	1.60	178	1c Orange Coil	.60	.45
72	8c Orange	2.00	.85	179	1c Green Coil	.28	.10
73	10c Br. Violet	9.50	6.75	180	2c Green Coil	.24	.08
74	1/2c Black (1898)	.08	.05	181	2c Carmine Coil	.25	.06
75	1c Green	.40	.03	182	2c Brown coil	.25	.05
76	2c Purple	.25	.02	183	3c Carmine coil	.40	.04
77	2c Carmine	.55	.02	184	3c Perf. 12 x 8	.18	.15
78	3c Carmine	.60	.03	190	10c Cartier	.30	.03
79	5c Blue	3.25	.10	191	3c on 2c Carmine	.09	.02
80	6c Brown	3.25	2.20	191a	Same die I.	.30	.25
81	7c Olive Yellow	1.50	.80	192	3c Carmine	.09	.03
82	8c Orange	4.00	1.75	193	5c Blue (Wales)	.24	.12
83	10c Br. Violet	4.50	.75	194	13c Pictorial	.55	.30
84	20c Olive Green	16.50	3.75	195	1c Green (1932)	.05	.02
85	2c Map (Lavender)	.85	.35	196	2c Brown	.06	.02
86	2c Map (Blue)	.95	.40	197	3c Carmine	.07	.02
87	2c on 3c Leaves	.40	.30	198	4c Bistre	2.25	.20
88	2c on 3c Numerals	.45	.15	199	5c Blue	.22	.03
89	1c King Edward	.25	.02	200	8c Red Orange	.48	.16
90	2c Carmine	.25	.02	201	13c Violet	.70	.12
90a	2c Imperf.	1.00	1.00	202	5c Blue (Congress)	.50	.22
91	5c Blue	1.75	.05	203	20c Grain Ovp.	1.80	.80
92	7c Bistre	2.75	.12	204	5c Royal William	.50	.24
93	10c Br. Lilac	6.25	.38	205	1c Green Coil	.30	.08
94	20c Olive Green	17.00	1.25	206	2c Brown Coil	.50	.08
95	50c Purple	27.50	5.50	207	3c Carmine coil	.30	.04
96	1/2c Tercentenary	.25	.20	208	3c Cartier	.22	.09
97	1c Green	.40	.20	209	10c Loyalist	1.20	.70
98	2c Carmine	.30	.06	210	2c New Brunswick	.38	.28
99	5c Dark Blue	2.25	1.60	211	1c Jubilee	.08	.04
100	7c Olive Green	2.75	1.95	212	2c Brown	.08	.03
101	10c Violet	3.95	3.25	213	3c Carmine	.05	.02
102	15c Red Orange	6.95	5.25	214	5c Blue	.35	.30
103	20c Yellow Br.	7.75	6.00	215	10c Green	.30	.19
104	1c Green	.12	.02	216	13c Blue	1.20	.68
105	1c Yellow	.16	.02	217	1c Green	.05	.02
106	2c Carmine	.20	.02	218	2c Brown	.06	.02
107	2c Green	.10	.02	219	3c Carmine	.07	.02
107a	Thin paper	.25	.20	220	4c Yellow	.20	.04
108	3c Brown	.13	.02	221	5c Blue	.14	.03
109	3c Carmine	.10	.01	222	8c Orange	.18	.09
110	4c Yellow Ochre	.55	.08	223	10c Police	.24	.03
111	5c Blue	1.60	.05	224	13c Violet	.30	.05
112	5c Violet	.20	.03	225	20c Olive	.42	.04
112a	Thin paper	.35	.25	226	50c Parliament	1.30	.30
113	7c Ochre	.50	.08	227	1/2c Monument	2.60	.95
114	7c Red Brown	.50	.25	228	1c Green coil	.40	.06
115	8c Blue	.75	.25	229	2c Brown coil	.40	.03
116	10c Purple	3.25	.08	230	3c Carmine Coil	.04	.02
117	10c Blue	.55	.05	231	1c Green (1937)	.06	.02
118	10c Bistre Brown	.55	.04	232	2c Brown	.07	.02
119	20c Olive	1.50	.04	233	3c Carmine	.25	.03
120	50c Black Brown	1.55	.12	234	4c Yellow	.25	.02
120a	50c Black	9.50	.32	235	5c Blue	.18	.04
121	1/2c Orange	2.50	.25	236	5c Orange	.07	.02
122	1c Green Coil	5.00	2.75	237	3c Coronation	.12	.03
123	2c Carmine Coil	5.00	2.25	238	1c Green coil	.15	.03
124	1c Green Coil	.25	.08	239	2c Brown Coil	.18	.03
125	1c Yellow Coil	.15	.09	240	3c Carmine coil	.20	.02
126	2c Carmine Coil	.60	.07	241	10c Rose	.32	.05
127	2c Green Coil	.25	.04	242	13c Sky Blue	.40	.04
128	3c Brown Coil	.30	.07	243	20c Brown	1.45	.30
129	3c Carmine Coil	1.25	.22	244	50c Green	2.85	.65
130	1c Green Coil	.15	.10	245	1/2c Purple	.24	.08
131	2c Carmine Coil	1.25	1.10	246-8	1c-3c Royal Visit	.03	.02
132	2c Green Coil	6.00	5.75	249	1c War Issue	.04	.02
133	3c Brown Coil	.36	.28	250	2c Brown	.12	.02
134	3c Confederation	.60	.04	251	3c Carmine	.06	.02
135	1c Yellow Imperf.	2.50	2.30	252	3c Violet	.30	.10
136	2c Green Imperf.	4.25	4.00	253	4c Gr. Black	.07	.02
137	3c Carmine Imperf.	1.20	.95	254	4c Carmine	.10	.02
138	2c on 3c (1 Line)	4.25	4.25	255	5c Blue	.22	.05
139	Same (2 Line)	1.50	1.40	256	8c Red Brown	.30	.02
140	1c MacDonald	.10	.03	257	10c Brown	.50	.17
141	2c Confederation	.06	.02	258	14c Green	.30	.04
142	3c Parliament	.20	.12	259	20c Chocolate	.42	.03
143	5c Laurier	.14	.07	260	50c Violet	1.10	.17
144	12c Map	.32	.22	261	1/2c Deep Blue	2.50	.50
145	5c McGee	.14	.08	262	1c coil perf 8	.07	.05
146	12c Green	.30	.22	263	2c Brown perf 8	.09	.06
147	20c Carmine	.46	.25	264	3c Carmine perf 8	.18	.10
148	1c Orange	.08	.03	265	3c Violet perf 8	.22	.04
149	2c Green	.05	.01	266	4c Carmine perf 8	.18	.04
150	3c Carmine	.80	.45	267	8c Farm Scene	.20	.02
151	4c Yellow	.30	.18	268	10c Lake Scene	.32	.04
152	5c Violet	.15	.07	269	14c Power Station	.32	.04
153	8c Blue	.28	.17	270	20c Reaper	.42	.03
154	10c Green	.24	.04	271			

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272	50c Lumbering	1.10	.25	CE3	17c (Circumflex)	.65	.65
273	1/2 Train-Ferry	2.30	.45	CE4	17c Corrected	.55	.55
274	4c Bell	.07	.04	SPECIAL DELIVERIES			
275	4c Citizen	.07	.04	E1	10c Green	2.75	1.10
276	4c Princess	.07	.02	E1a	10c Green type I	3.25	1.25
277	4c Parliament	.07	.02	E2	20c Carmine	2.95	.60
278	1c Green coil	.16	.14	E2a	20c (Narrower)	3.20	.70
279	2c Brown coil	.65	.55	E3	20c Orange Red	.65	.60
280	3c Violet coil	.20	.12	E4	20c Twenty Cents	2.10	1.10
281	4c Carmine coil	.25	.12	E5	20c Cents	2.25	1.40
282	4c Cabot	.07	.02	E6	20c Carmine	.40	.36
283	4c Halifax	.07	.06	E7	10c Green	.30	.18
284-8	1c-5c Postage	.30	.08	E8	20c Carmine	1.55	1.50
289-93	Same (No Postage)	.36	.16	E9	10c on 20c	.60	.55
294	50c Oil Derrick	.90	.18	E10	10c Green	.25	.12
295-6	1c-3c Coils	.20	.18	E11	10c Green	.24	.10
297-300	1c-4c Coils	.55	.30	F1	2c Orange Reg.	1.75	.15
301	10c Fur	.18	.02	F2	5c Green Reg.	1.75	.15
302	1/2 Fisheries	2.75	.90	F3	8c Blue Reg.	15.50	16.00
303	3c Borden	.06	.02	POSTAGE DUES			
304	4c King	.07	.02	J1	1c Violet	.10	.04
305	2c Green	.05	.01	J1a	Thin paper	.75	.70
306	4c Orange	.07	.01	J2	2c Violet	.20	.05
309	2c Green coil	.09	.04	J2a	Thin paper	.85	.50
310	4c Orange coil	.12	.06	J3	4c Violet	2.25	1.95
311-14	Centenary Set	.85	.45	J4	5c Violet	.25	.07
315	4c Royal Visit	.07	.02	J4a	Thin paper	.25	.18
316	20c Newspaper	.28	.04	J5	10c Violet	.90	.60
317	4c Red Cross	.07	.03	J6	1c Violet	.15	.10
318	3c Abbott	.06	.02	J7	2c Violet	.10	.03
319	4c Mackenzie	.07	.02	J8	4c Violet	.25	.18
320	7c Goose	.12	.03	J9	5c Violet	.25	.20
321	1/2 Totem Pole	1.40	.24	J10	10c Violet	2.40	.70
322	2c Blue	.06	.04	J11	1c Violet (1934)	.28	.22
323	3c Brown	.06	.02	J12	2c Violet	.08	.06
324	4c Slate	.07	.02	J13	4c Violet	.15	.15
325-9	1-5c Queen	.30	.08	J14	10c Violet	.40	.18
330	4c Coronation	.07	.02	J15	1c Violet (1935)	.03	.02
331-3	2c-4c Coils	.45	.30	J16	2c Violet	.04	.02
334	50c Textiles	.85	.16	J17	4c Violet	.06	.03
335	4c Walrus	.07	.02	J18	5c Violet	.12	.04
336	5c Beaver	.08	.02	J19	6c Violet	.10	.05
337-42	1c-6c Elizabeth	.32	.14	J20	10c Violet	.11	.03
343	15c Gannett	.22	.06	OFFICIALS			
345-7-8-2c, 4c, 5c, Coils		.20	.15	O1	1c Green OHMS	.12	.10
349	4c Thompson	.07	.02	O2	2c Brown	.95	.80
350	5c Bowell	.09	.02	O3	3c Purple	.12	.06
351	10c Eskimo	.15	.02	O4	4c Red	.12	.04
352	4c Musk Ox	.07	.02	O6	10c Olive	.30	.08
353	5c Crane	.08	.03	O7	14c Dark Brown	.40	.15
354	I. C. A. O.	.15	.04	O8	20c Slate	.55	.20
355	5c Sask	.12	.04	O9	50c Green	22.00	21.00
356	5c Boy Scouts	.08	.03	O10	1/2 Red Violet	6.50	6.50
357	4c Bennett	.08	.03	O11	50c Green	2.50	2.50
358	5c Tupper	.08	.03	O12	1c Green	.05	.03
359	5c Hockey	.08	.03	O13	2c Brown	.09	.05
360	4c Caribou	.07	.03	O14	3c Purple	.09	.04
361	5c Mountain Goat	.08	.03	O15	4c Red	.10	.04
362	20c Wood Pulp	.30	.03	O15A	5c Blue	.19	.16
363	25c Chemical	.36	.04	O16	1c Green "G"	.08	.05
364	5c Fire Prevention	.08	.03	O17	2c Brown	.07	.03
365	5c Fisher	.12	.04	O18	3c Purple	.09	.04
366	4c Swimmer	.12	.04	O19	4c Red	.12	.09
367	5c Hunter	.12	.04	O20	5c Blue	.28	.09
368	5c Skier	.12	.04	O21	10c Lake	.40	.10
369	4c Loon	.08	.03	O22	14c Power	.60	.15
370	5c Explorer	.08	.03	O23	20c Combine	.40	.10
371	5c UPU	.08	.03	O24	50c Oil	.95	.85
372	15c UPU (scarce)	.42	.28	O25	1/2 Ferry	12.00	12.00
373	5c Mining	.08	.03	O26	10c Fur	.20	.06
374	5c Royal Visit	.08	.03	O27	1/2 Fish	9.75	9.50
375	5c Free Press	.08	.03	O28	2c Green	.08	.04
376	5c Geo-Physical	.08	.03	O29	4c Orange	.12	.04
377	5c Br. Columbia	.08	.03	O30	20c Lumbering	.32	.06
378	5c La Verendrye	.08	.03	O31	7c Goose	.11	.10
379	5c Champlain	.08	.03	O32	1/2 Totem Pole	1.60	1.35
380	5c Health	.08	.03	O33-7	1c-5c Set	.30	.18
381	5c Oil	.08	.03	O38	50c Textile	.85	.42
382	5c Assembly	.08	.03	O39	10c Eskimo	.15	.05
383	5c Flight	.08	.03	O40	1c Queen	.03	.02
384	5c NATO	.08	.03	O41	2c Queen	.04	.03
385	5c Women	.08	.03	O43	4c Queen	.07	.03
386	5c Queen Visit	.08	.03	O44	5c Queen	.08	.03
387	5c Seaway	.08	.03	CO1	20c Wood Pulp	.30	.06
388	5c Abraham	.08	.03	CO7	7c Air OHMS	.50	.40
389	5c Girl Guides	.08	.03	CO2	7c Air "G"	.50	.45
390	5c Dollard	.08	.03	EO1	10c Green O.H.M.S.	1.00	1.00
391	5c Northern Devel.	.08	.03	EO2	10c Green G	1.00	1.00
392	5c Poetess	.08	.03	MR1	1c Green WAR TAX	.06	.02
AIRMAILS				MR2	2c Carmine	.07	.02
C1	5c Brown Olive	.45	.18	MR3	2c + 1c Carmine	.40	.02
C2	5c Brown	2.65	2.40	MR3a	Same Type II	8.50	.25
C3	6c on 5c Br. Olive	.42	.28	MR4	2c + 1c Brown	.12	.02
C4	6c Conference	.85	.80	MR4a	Same Type II	25.00	1.50
C5	8c Red Brown	.25	.10	MR5	2c + 1c (12x8)	.85	.75
C6	6c Blue	.20	.06	MR6	2c + 1c Coil	1.80	.16
C7	6c Blue War	.52	.12	MR7	2c + 1c Brown	.50	.08
C8	7c Blue War	.15	.03	MR7a	Same Type I	2.25	.20
C9	7c Blue Geese	.13	.02				
CE1	16c SD AIR	.35	.32				
CE2	17c SD AIR	.50	.45				

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AT the sale of the *Thomas A. Matthews* collection on February 27, 1961, the closing day of a five-day auction by Fred W. Kessler, New York auctioneer, the Black Honduras, world's rarest single air mail stamp, brought \$24,500; the *Scott* catalog price is \$17,500. *Raymond Weill* of New Orleans, was the successful bidder.



"Black Honduras", world's rarest single airmail stamp.

The stamp is an Honduran issue of 1925, overprinted with "Aero Correo 25" for use to carry mail by airplane between Tegucigalpa and Puerto Cortez, a short-lived service which was undertaken by a Dr. T. C. Pounds under contract with the Honduran Government. Dr. Pounds obtained a small quantity of obsolete stamps which he converted into airmails with the above-mentioned overprint. The overprint was applied in blue, red, and black. The basic stamp used for the one known as the "Black Honduras" is a 10c dark blue, with the overprint in black, only four of which were ever produced. Two dropped out of sight almost at once, and the third several years later. Mr. Matthews bought his copy, the only one now remaining as far as is known, for \$11,500 two years ago. It sold in 1938 for \$5,000. A copy of the "Red Honduras" airmail stamp brought \$3,900 in the same sale.

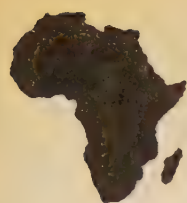
Mr. Matthews, who has been collecting for about thirty years, said all of his collection will be sold except his U. S., Philippines, and Canal Zone. Since October he has sold \$150,000 worth of his \$300,000 collection. The rest of his collection will be sold in May or June.

Dixipex IV

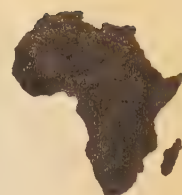
THE *Dixie Stamp Collectors Club* will hold its fourth Dixipex in June, 1961 in Birmingham, Alabama. Collectors interested in exhibiting or attending are urged to send a large self-addressed stamped envelope for details and prospectus to *Raymond J. Rowell, Sr.*, 1640 Steiner Avenue S.W., Birmingham 11, Alabama.

The *Dixie Stamp Collectors* is a south-wide organization, with headquarters in Birmingham. They are sponsoring a first day cacheted cover for the Fort Sumter Stamp on April 12, 1961, and you will find details in the *Trading Post* of this issue under the heading of "Covers".

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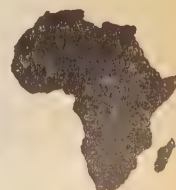
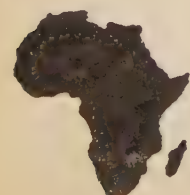


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An Exhibit at INTERPEX 1961

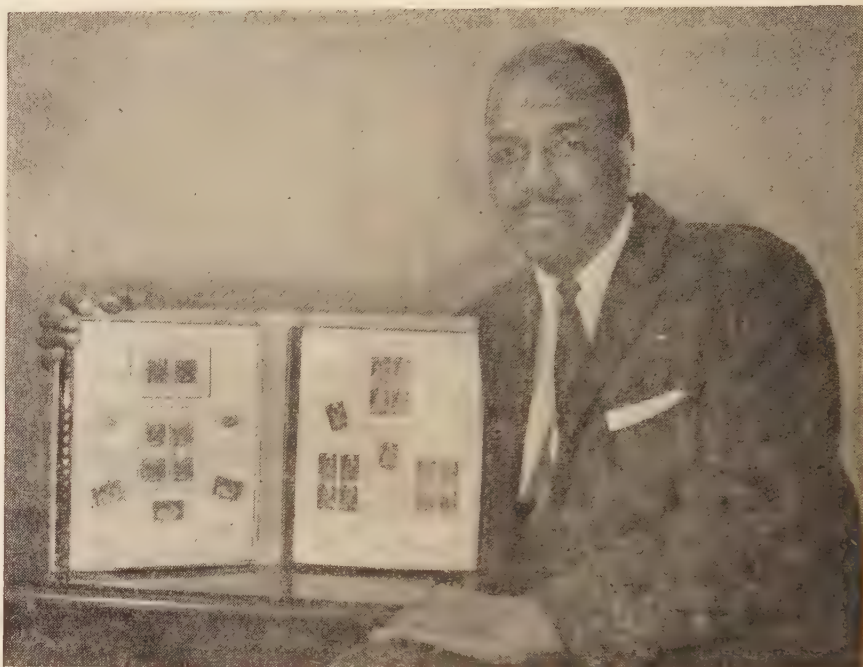
By JOHN THOMAS

RELIGION is one of the most popular subjects of topical collecting, and many in our hobby collect exclusively in certain categories of religion, such as saints, cathedrals, etc. Of the several subdivisions, under which one can collect religion on stamps, I found the story of the Bible most fascinating.

My collection began with actual Bible issues from various countries, and this led me into hours of research for historical information and data. In this I was much aided by my membership in the *A.T.A.*, the *Judaica Associates*, and the *Coros* society.

Out of the vast amount of knowledge which I eventually gathered it then became necessary to condense the essentials so that the write-up would not overbalance the stamps themselves. This was quite a task of itself, but with careful selectivity and a minimum of wordage, I believe I was able to achieve a satisfactory balance.

The story begins, of course, with the creation of man as told in the book of Genesis. For the story of man's faith in a Supreme Being there are numerous stamp issues, such as those depicting shrines, tombs, altars, mosques, etc., dating back into



John Thomas, the author, whose collection of "Bible on Stamps" will be on exhibit at INTERPEX 1961.

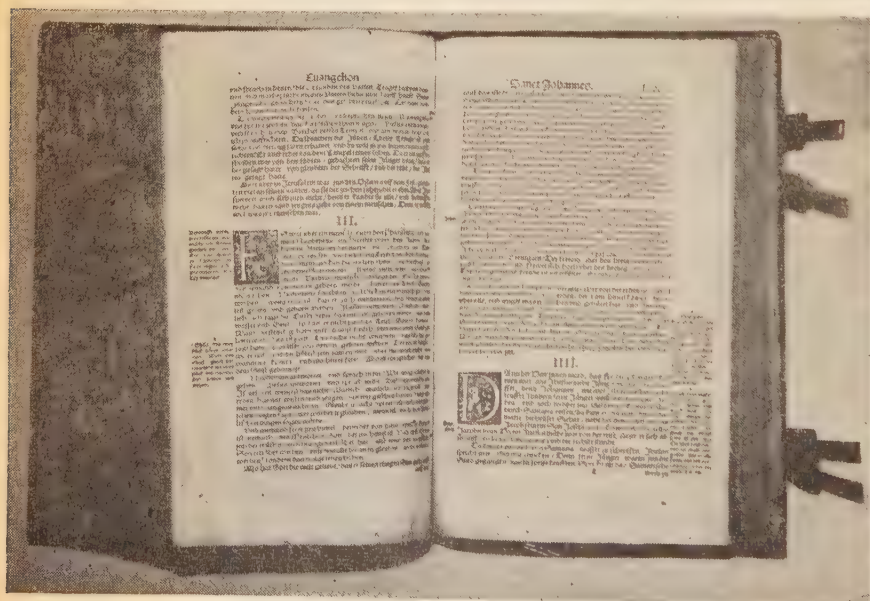
antiquity. An issue of Syria opens the door to the historical world of the Old Testament, showing imperishable records of the past, found in old Mesopotamia. Some issues of Egypt depict the revelation of God

in that country, and trace the difficulties of Christianity in defending itself against Islam.

The issues of Israel are replete with records of ancient Jewish history. They provide background to the stories recorded in the Old Testament, and graphically depict symbols of faith.

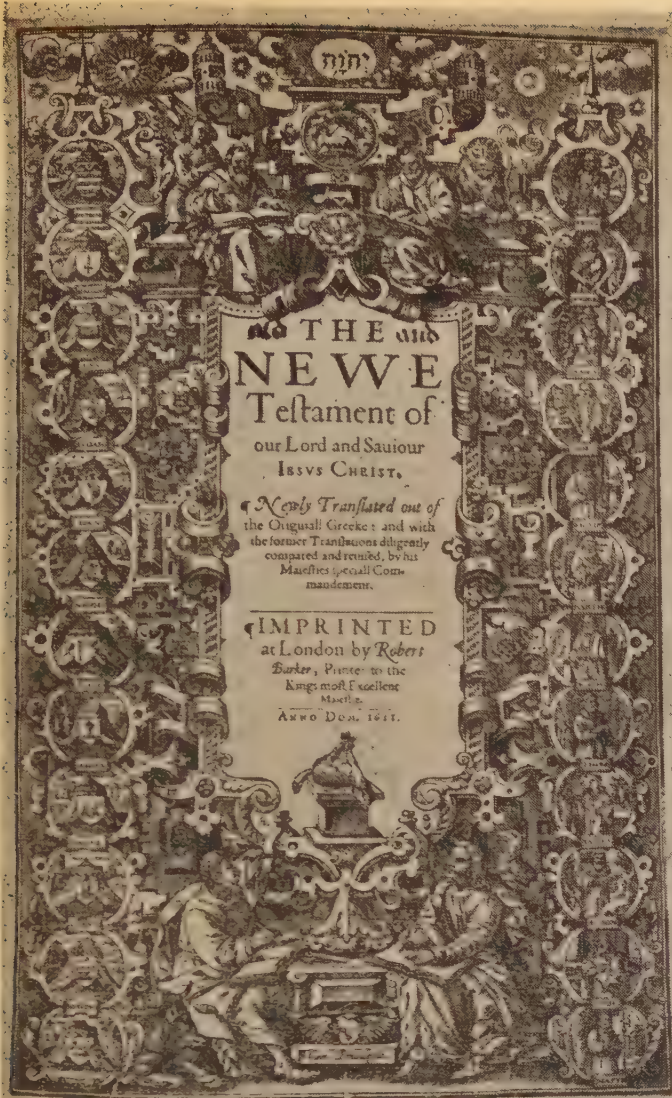
Between the closing of the Old and the opening of the New Testaments there is a period of 400 years which the Bible passes over without a word. The revelation of God appears to have ceased with the fifth century B.C., and no Divine voice or message was heard in those 400 years. These silent centuries are interesting on purely historical grounds. Through the stamps of Israel I have tried to bring together, along with the text, a portrayal of the patience, persistence, and courage which went into the Hebrew struggle for freedom during the transition period.

Coming into the era of the New Testament, Matthew and Luke have given us details of the birth and infancy of Christ. The story is told there of the Magi and the Star of



(American Bible Society Photograph)

Martin Luther Bible, open at John 3:16.



At the left, above: Title page of the original 1611 edition of the King James New Testament; at the right, page from a Bible in Sanskrit—Devanigari Character.

Sanskrit

२२४ श्रीवदनिधितन्त्रसारः ३-८-२२
 त्वं शुद्धकलायाश्च मा-मन्वस्य आत्मरूपो वायु रश्मिश्चैव त्वं
 वाति, तत्त्वतश्च त्वया श्रूयते, न जायते तु म कुत आयाति कुत्र
 याति वा । आत्मतो ज्ञानः सर्वमनुव्याप्तादभूतः । नौकदोमः प्रति-
 भाषमाणस्तमवादीन्, सर्वसत्तत् कथं भवितुं शक्नोति ? यौशुः प्रति-
 भाषमाणस्तमाह, तस्मिन्नायमस्य गुरुत्वायैतत्तज्जानामि, मयं
 मत्त, त्वामहं ब्रवीमि, त्वयं यज्जानामीमस्तत् कथयामः, यच्च दृष्टवन्तस्तच्च
 शास्त्रं ददाः, तथाप्यस्माकाश्च युष्माभिर्न शक्नोते । पार्थिवविषयान्
 कथितवति मयि यदि यूयं न विश्वसिष्य, कथं तर्हि स्वर्गविषयान्
 कथितवति मयि विश्वसिष्यथ । नापरः कोऽपि स्वर्गमाश्रयेत्, केवलं
 स्वगादवच्छेदः स्वर्गवासी मनुष्यपुत्रः । अपि च यथा जरो, मांशानि
 सर्वं उच्छेदितस्तथा मनुष्यपुत्रो यदि उच्छेदकारिष्यते तत्तस्यानश्नन्नावि,
 तस्मिन् विश्वासो सर्वमनुष्यो यथा न विनश्यानन्तं जीवनं लभ्यते ।
 एत ईश्वरो जगतोत्पत्तिं प्रेम चकार, यत्किञ्चैकजानं पुत्रं ददौ,
 तस्मिन् विश्वासो सर्वमनुष्यो यथा न विनश्यानन्तं जीवनं लभ्यते ।
 ईश्वरो हि स्वपुत्रं जगति प्रहितवान् न जगतो विचारमायनाय,
 प्रत्यत जगद् यत् तेन ज्ञानं लभत तदर्थं । यत्तस्मिन् विश्वसिष्यति
 तस्य विशारो न कियते । यो न विश्वसिष्यति तस्य विचारः
 संभूतः, एतः स ईश्वरस्यैकजानपुत्रस्य नास्ति न विश्वसितवान् ।
 विचारश्चाह, यदागंतं जगति ज्योतिः, मनुष्यास्तु ज्योतिषिस्मिरे-
 ऽधिकमप्रोयन्त, यत्तस्मिन् कर्माणि दृष्टानि । कदाचारवान् सर्वं
 मनुष्यो हि ज्योतिर्दृष्टि, तदीयकर्माणां दोषस्तेन व्यक्तीभवियतीति
 भयाच्च स ज्योतिषो निकटं नायेति । यत्तु भयमाश्रयति तस्य

Bethlehem, of angels and shepherds, and we have stamps depicting the scenes as the prophets described them. Over twenty nations have honored Christ on their stamps or some gospel which He preached.

The story of the Apostle Paul is important to this period, and we have stamp issues that recall his part in this great historical era. This brings us to the missionaries of the Church in early Christian history, and the translating of the Bible from Hebrew and Greek into the various languages of the Roman Empire. The progress of the Bible through these translations is shown through stamps of various countries.

The monasteries, which became the strongholds in which the Bible was preserved for future generations, are appropriately included in a collection of this type. The monks played an important part, with their thousands of manuscripts of the Bible, which were transcribed during the dark days of the medieval

era. It is to them that we must give thanks that we have the Bible preserved for us today. We have stamps which actually depict these monks at their writing tasks.

Then there are stamps of the countries that have paid tribute to the beginning of the Bible in print, and those which show how the art of the printed word spread from Mainz to all of Germany, and thence to all of Europe. By the end of the fifteenth century eighteen countries were printing books, but there were less than 200 editions of the Bible, and the price of them was so great that only the churches and people of wealth could afford them. Stamps related to the Reformation show how the Bible was finally brought within the reach of the common people during the Renaissance period.

There are many stamps honoring the Bible, and there have been numerous special cancellations which we are able to show on cover. In the culmination of my story are stamps

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490-97* 2.25	601-03* 1.25	667-68*... .45
498-500* .50	604-17* 2.90	667-68● .40
523*... .25	604-17● 1.10	669-70*... .75
524●... .15	618-23* 2.00	669-70● .50
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355-57... .40	C134-134A 1.00	C223-29... 1.30
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852.	.15	.06	882.	.10	.05	B4.	2.00	2.00	C53.	7.50	7.50	C87.	.15	.15
853.	.10	.05	883.	.10	.05	B5.	.50	.35	C54.	.20	.18	C88.	.15	.06
854.	.10	.05	884.	.10	.05	B6.	.50	.35	C55.	.15	.10	C89.	.15	.06
855.	.10	.05	885.	.12	.05	B7.	2.00	1.10	C56.	.18	.10	C90.	.10	.05
856.	.10	.05	886.	.10	.05	B8.	.15	.15	C57.	.20	.15	C91.	.20	.15
857.	.15	.05	887.	.15	.06	B9.	.25	.15	C58.	.25	.18	C92.	.20	.15
858.	.10	.05	888.	.10	.05	B10.	.20	.15	C59.	.30	.18	C93.	.20	.15
858A.	.20	.10	889.	.10	.05	B11.	.75	.25	C60.	.20	.15	C94.	.20	.15
859.	.10	.05	890.	.10	.05	C1.	.10	.10	C61.	.20	.18	C95.	.10	.06
860.	.10	.05	891.	.10	.05	C3.	.50	.50	C62.	.20	.18	C96.	.11	.06
861.	.10	.05	892.	.10	.05	C5.	.22	.22	C63.	.50	.35	C97.	.20	.15
862.	.10	.05	893.	.12	.05	C6.	.25	.25	C64.	.25	.20	C98.	.32	.20
863.	.10	.05	894.	.10	.05	C7.	.25	.25	C65.	.20	.15	C99.	.10	.06
864.	.10	.05	895.	.12	.05	C8.	.20	.08	C66.	.22	.14	C100.	.20	.12
			896.	.10	.05	C22.	.20	.08	C67.	.40	.22	C101.	.10	.08
			897.	.10	.05	C23.	.15	.15	C68.	.18	.15	C101 FDC	.35	.10
			898.	.18	.08	C24.	.22	.22	C69.	.30	.18	C102.	.20	.12
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			900.	.10	.05	C31.	.25	.25	C72.	.18	.18	C105.	.10	.10
			901.	.06	.04	C32.	.10	.10	C73.	.18	.15	J1.	.10	.10
			902.	.10	.05	C33.	.15	.15	C73A	15.00	.15	J2.	.12	.12
			903.	.06	.04	C34.	.15	.15	C74.	.25	.18	J10.	.08	.06
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			906.	.32	.10	C37.	.45	.45	C76a	3.50	3.50	J40.	.35	.35
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Miss Armstrong worked for the advertising firm of Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn for thirty-four years prior to her retirement. She was a past president of the *Records Management Association* and an honorary member of that organization.

Edgar Mohrmann Visiting in Mid-March

EDGAR MOHRMANN, of Hamburg, Germany, who was to have visited the United States in February, was obliged to postpone his trip owing to an attack of Asiatic Influenza. He is flying to New York on March 18th. Anyone wishing to contact him may do so through STAMPS, either by writing him in care of us or phoning at the time of his visit to get information on how to reach him.

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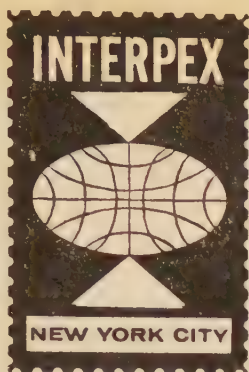
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The catalog includes virtually all U.S. issues, not only regular and commemorative postage, but air, special delivery, revenues, etc. United Nations and U.S. revenue stamp issues are illustrated in their entirety, as also the various postage issues. There is a special "Americana" section, where issues of foreign governments relating to American people, events, anniversaries, etc., are listed and priced. This is a valuable section for topical collectors in this field. Special sections list and price complete mint sheets and plate blocks of four for both Canada and the U.S.A., and also for U.S. first day covers.

The earlier U.S. regular issues continue to show the most activity, with most price changes being evident in the issues up to 1920. Every reprint, re-issue, and special printing has moved upward in price, and these prices seem to show the most significant increases. Airmails and commemoratives continue to hold fairly strong, especially up to 1930, but most price changes are relatively moderate. The continuing demand for airmails is illustrated by such examples as the used 1918 24c bi-color, #C3, now \$5.50 as against \$4.50 a year ago; the unused 1930 Zeppelins, C13-15, \$163.75 now, formerly \$145.00.

Among the earlier issues, notable advances are reported in the unused 1857-60 1c Franklin, Type II (Scott #20) which has climbed from \$24.50 to \$28.50, and in the unused 1875 30c Franklin Reprint of 1857-60 (#46) which has moved from \$95.00 to \$120.00. In the unused 1875 15c Lincoln Re-issue of 1861-66 #108, which was \$95.00, is now \$117.50; and in the unused 1875 15c Landing of Columbus Re-issue of 1869, Type III (#129), last year \$49.75 and now \$78.75.

Reflecting the widespread activity among commemoratives are the unused dollar value Columbians (#241-45) with well-merited 10-15% price increases over a year ago. Other commemorative changes have occurred in the used 1909 2c Alaska-Yukon imperforate (#371) which was \$2.40 and is now \$2.85, and in the unused 1912-13 10c Panama-Pacific, orange (#400A) which has moved upward from \$12.00 to \$14.95.

Revenues are again attracting attention this year. There are new listings in dated revenue groups and, while only scattered price changes occur in the old listings, both decreases and increases are noted. Reduced significantly from last year are the used uncut 1954 (\$30) (#R-679) and the used uncut 1954 \$2500 (#R685), the former moving from \$19.75 down to \$14.75, the latter from \$97.50 to \$79.50. These, however, are balanced

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somewhat by increases in the used 1862-71 \$200 (#R102c) which has advanced from \$49.75 to \$58.50, and in the unused 1950 80c Stock Transfer (#RD322) which was \$1.35 and is now \$1.90.

The continuing demand for airmails is illustrated by such examples as the used 1918 24c bi-color (#C3), which has climbed from \$4.50 to \$5.50; the unused 1930 Zeppelin set (#C13-15), showing an advance from \$145.00 to \$163.75, and this same set used, formerly listed at \$99.50, but now \$133.50.

Increased activity among officials is demonstrated by such issues as the used 1873 2c Agriculture (#O2) which has risen from \$2.10 to \$2.40; the unused 1873 12c State (#O63) which was \$4.00 last year, \$4.50 now; and the unused 1879 24c Interior on soft paper (#O103) which is up from \$49.75 to \$60.00.

Plate blocks show relatively few changes.

Among these the 1923 2c Harding Perf. 10 (#612) has advanced from \$21.50 to \$27.85, and the 1928 5c Hawaii (#648) has climbed from \$18.75 to \$23.75.

While the mint sheet section has been enlarged, very few revisions are noted. Changes that did occur were mixed. For example, the 1931 2c Pulaski (#690) rose from \$9.85 to \$12.85, but the 1948 5c New York Airmail (#C38) declined from \$14.75 to \$12.75.

Canadian issues continue to show great strength, as they have for some time. This is especially true during the period from 1851 to 1930 where the most significant changes occur. Among the earlier issues, both the unused and used 1868-79 5c large cent issue (#26) have shown advances, the former from \$21.75 to \$24.75 and the latter from \$6.50 to \$7.50. The unused 1897 8c Jubilee (#56) has gone from \$1.65 to

\$1.95, while the unused 1897 \$1 Jubilee (#) which was \$19.75 now is \$22.75.

Representative of the numerous changes reported among 20th century issues are the unused 1908 15c Quebec (#102) which has increased from \$5.50 to \$6.95; the unused 1930 5c Airpost (#C2) from \$3.25 to \$3.75; and the unused 1930 20c Special Delivery (#E4), from \$2.10 to \$2.50.

Activity in the provinces continues to be light. Newfoundland issues show comparatively few changes. Those that are reported are slight. Some upward revisions are noted among stamps from British Colombia and Vancouver Island, but percentage-wise these are small.

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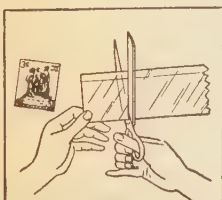
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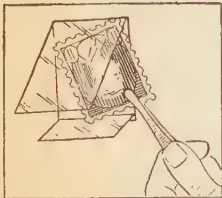
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Mar. 13—North Shore Philatelic Society meeting at 8 P.M. at Loyola Park Fieldhouse, Sheridan Rd. at Greenleaf, Chicago, Ill. *Dr. James J. Matejka, Jr.* will display and speak about the Official Czechoslovakia Post Office Exhibit of Airmail Stamps and Related Issues. Visitors always welcome.

Mar. 15—Lake Erie Chapter of the Masonic Stamp Club of New York will meet at 8 P.M. at Masonic Library, 3615 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. *William Dyer* will talk on U.P.U. issues. All Masons welcome.

Mar. 17—Garfield-Perry Stamp Club will have philatelic "Smorgasbord" at Manger Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio. Program is under direction of *Milton E. Cornman*. Public invited.

Mar. 17—Minneapolis Chapter of ATA will hold a "Let's Get Better Acquainted Night" at 7:15 P.M. in Room 216 of the new Minneapolis Public Library, 300 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. Selected pages from *Vera E. Sparkes'* collection of famous paintings on stamps will be on display. Public invited.

Mar. 24—Baltimore Philatelic Society meets at 8 P.M. at 847 North Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md. *Joseph E. Foley* will speak on Irish Philately and exhibit portions of his collection. Visitors welcome.

Mar. 24—San Antonio Philatelic Association meeting at 8 P.M. at Witte Museum, San Antonio, Texas. Visitors welcome.

Mar. 24—California Collectors Club will hold "Trading Session" at Broadmore Hotel, 1499 Sutter St., San Francisco, California. At Mar. 31 meeting *Bob Turnbull* will show his Belgian East Africa.

Apr. 3—Cedar Rapids Stamp Club meeting at 8 P.M. at Roosevelt Hotel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Guest speaker will be *William J. Petersen*, Superintendent of the State Historical Society of Iowa.

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Apr. 13—*Aero Philatelists*, Chapter 1, will meet at 8 P.M. at Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York 16, N. Y. Subject of exhibition and lecture by *John J. Britt* will be "Air Mail Essays and Proofs." Guests welcome.

May 12—*Chicago Woman's Stamp Club* will celebrate 31st anniversary. Birthday dinner will be held for members and friends in private dining room of the Y.M.C.A., 19 So. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill., at 6:30 P.M. *Robert Frey* will speak and show parts of his collection.

May 13-14—*Greater Valley Philatelic Society*, in cooperation with *Department of Parks and Recreation of the City of San Fernando*, will hold second exhibition—*VEXOS-1961*—at San Fernando Community Building, 208 Park Ave., San Fernando, Calif. Exhibitors are limited to collectors residing in Southern California. For information and prospectus write *Bill Tong*, 17820 Merridy St., Northridge, Calif.

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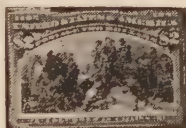
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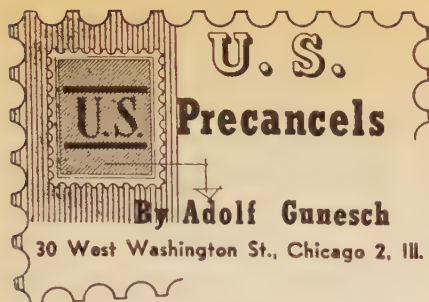
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ARGENTINA—We are informed by the *Secretary of Communications* that a 2 pesos gray stamp will be issued on March 2, 1961, to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Naval Combat of San Nicolas. The design, by *Horacio R. Alvarez Boero*, depicts the scene of the combat which took place on March 2, 1811. The stamps were printed by photogravure at the State Mint, size 22 x 32 mm., in sheets of 100, edition three million.

The *Secretary of Communications* also advises that the following stamps will be issued during 1961: a 2 pesos stamp to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Death of Dr. Mariano Moreno; a 2 pesos stamp to commemorate the Visit of the President of the Italian Republic (3,000,000); 2 pesos General Manuel Belgrano Monument (3,000,000); 2 pesos Centenary of the Birth of Rabindranath Tagore (3,000,000); three surcharged stamps in connection with the Pro-International Philatelic Exhibition, Centenary of "Argentine Republic 1862"—2 pesos + 2 pesos (800,000), 3 pesos + 3 pesos (600,000), and 10 pesos + 5 pesos (500,-

000); 2 pesos stamp for Juan Vucetich, Originator of the Argentine Dactyloscopy System (3,000,000); 2 pesos commemorating the 150th Birthday Anniversary of Domingo F. Sarmiento (3,000,000); 2 pesos for "September 14th—Postman's Day" (3,000,000); 2 pesos for First Citrated Blood Transfusion—Dr. Luis Agote (3,000,000); 2 pesos for World Town-Planning Day (3,000,000); two surcharged Pro-Infancy stamps, 2 pesos + 1 peso (600,000) and 10 pesos + 10 pesos (600,000).

Our thanks to *E. Van de Wee*, *M. Yastremiz*, and *Pedro A. Cagiao*, of Buenos Aires, for first day covers dated February 25, 1961, with the Pro Infancia stamps which were reported in our issue of March 4, 1961. The gray 1.80 + 0.90 stamp shows a Penguin and the sepia 4.20 + 2.10 a Cormorant. We have also received from *M. Yastremiz* and *Pedro A. Cagiao* special pictorial cancellations: PABELLON "ANTARTIC ARGENTINA", 22 Feb. 1961 BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA. The pictorial part shows a ship and a map. The cancellation was used in connection with the Inauguration

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BRITISH HONDURAS—On March 1, 1961, the current definitive issue of the 2 cents, 3 cents, 10 cents, and 15 cents values (Scott's Type A29 of 1953) will be released overprinted "New Constitution 1960."

—Crown Agents Stamp Bureau

BULGARIA—Our thanks to the *Ministry of Posts* for first day covers dated January 28, 1961, with the following issues: 1.25L. blue-green Soviet Cosmic Rocket showing the rocket and the two dogs, Belka & Strelka; a five-value multi-colored set (12 ct., 16 ct., 28 ct., 45 st., 60 st., 80 st.) showing women in national dress; and a three-value set (60 ct., 80 st., x 1.25 L.), the 60 ct. showing an ancient church, the 80 st., portrait of a man and the 1.25 L. a woman both in medieval dress, and with dates of "1259-1959". According to information supplied by J. & H. Stolow, New York, the latter set marks the 700th anniversary of the Boyanna frescoes and church.

CHINA—FORMOSA—On March 8, 1961, stamps in the denominations of 0.80, 1.00, 2.00 and 3.20 will be issued to commemorate the tenth anniversary of Chinese Women's Anti-Aggression League. This organization was formed under the leadership of Madame Chiang Kai-shek, and the stamps will show her portrait along with the emblem of the CWAAL. The stamps are being printed by photogravure.

—Directorate General of Posts

COLOMBIA—On March 7, 1961, the following stamps will be issued to complete the set commemorating the Eighth Pan-American Highway Congress of 1960: Regular postage—20 cents, brown and blue, (10,000,000); Airmail—10 c. violet and blue (1,000,000) 20c., red and blue (1,000,000) 30 c., green and black (1,000,000); For extra rapid mails—10 c., green and blue (2,000,000). The design is the same for all values, the one shown on the souvenir sheet issued May 28, 1960, when the Congress was in session, that is, the northern section of the map of Colombia through which the highway crosses Choco and Caldas. These stamps were printed by offset at Litografia Colombia plants, in sheets of 144, on unwatermarked paper, perf. 11x 10½.

On March 22, 1961, the following stamps will be issued to honor ex-president of the Republic, Alfonso Lopez (1886-1959): Regular postage—10 c. red and brown (1,000,000), 20c. purple and brown (1,000,000); Airmail—35c. blue

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and brown (3,000,000); *Extra rapid mail*—10c. (1,000,000); *Extra rapid sheet*—1.00 violet and brown (92,500). The design shows a portrait of Alfonso Lopez. The stamps were printed by photogravure by Thomas de la Rue, London, in sheets of 100, unwatermarked paper, perf. 13.
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CUBA—Towards the end of December 1960 Cuba issued seven values, four airmails, and three regular stamps, publicizing the "Conference of Underdeveloped countries." The stamps were printed by Courvoisier, Switzerland. There was also a set of three Christmas issue values.

—*Rafael Oriol*

CUBA—The "Declaration of Havana" stamps reported and shown in our issue of February 11, 1961, bear the silhouette of Jose Marti, not Jesus Menendez, as reported there.

There was apparently an issue for Jesus Menendez also, and the two became confused in our report. We do not have details on the Menendez stamp.

From Cuban refugees from the Castro regime we have the information that Menendez was a communist; also, that the "Declaration of Havana" is a communist document, and it has incensed these refugees to see the face of the great patriot Jose Marti superimposed over this document.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—We are indebted to *Artia* for information, mint stamps, and a first day cover dated January 20, 1961, with the stamps issued to propagate the Third Five-Year Plan. They are of the following denominations, designs and colors: 20h rolling train, blue; 30h turbogenerator, red; 60h milling machine, green. The stamps (forecast in our issue of February 4, 1961) were designed by the academic artist *Doc. Jan Podhajsky*, engraved by *Jar. Goldschmied* and designed by *Jindra Schmidt* (20h) and *Jiri Svengsbir* (30h and 60h). The stamps were printed by rotary recess at

the Post Printing Office in Prague, size 23x30 mm., in sheets of 50.

Artia also advises that a six-value (20h, 30h, 40h, 60h, 1.60 Kcs, 2 Kcs) set of stamps will be released on March 6, 1961, showing various forms of Cosmic Space Research.

Our thanks to *Artia* and *Fr. Strouhal* for information, mint stamps, and first day covers dated February 10, 1961, with the seven-value Sport set which was forecast in our issue of February 4, 1961. The denominations, designs and colors are as follows: 20h sportsmen paying tribute to the 40th anniversary of Czechoslovakian physical culture, red and blue; 30h the International Friendship Race, Grand Prix, Brno, gray-blue and red; 40h European Championship in Rowing, Prague, gray and red; 60h World Championship in Figure Skating, Prague, violet and blue; 1Kcs 35th anniversary of rugby in Czechoslovakia, blue and yellow; 1.20Kcs 60th anniversary of Czechoslovak football, green and orange; and 1.60Kcs 65th anniversary of the long-distance running contest of Bechovice-Prague, brown and orange. The stamps were designed by the artists *Anna Podzemna* (20h, 30h, 1.20Kcs), *Ivan Strnad* (60h, 1Kcs) and *Vladimir Kovarik* (40h, 1.60Kcs). They were engraved by *Jan Mracek* (30h), *Bedrich Housa* (30h, 1.20Kcs), *Ladislav Jirka* (40h, 60h, 1 Kcs), and *Jar. Goldschmied* (1.60 Kcs). The stamps were printed by rotary recess combined with photogravure at the Post Printing Office in Prague, in sheets of 50.

DENMARK—Our thanks to *Fyens Fri-
maerkehandel*, Copenhagen, *Elmar Stamps*, Morke, and *Martin Bostrom* of Orebro, Sweden, for first day covers dated February 24, 1961, with the 60 ore, blue, SAS stamp which was reported in our issue of February 4, 1961.

FINLAND—We are indebted to *Sulo Antila*, Tampere, for a first day cover dated February 21, 1961, with the 30

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Mk. blue-green stamp which was issued to celebrate the Centenary of the founding of the city of Mariehamn as reported here on February 4, 1961.

Mr. Antila reports that the 5 marks pictorial stamp which is to be released March 26, 1961, is being printed in an edition of ten million.

FRANCE—We have information from *Minkus Publications, Inc.*, that the following stamps will be issued during March 1961: March 13—.50c. commemorative honoring Georges Melies (1861-1938); March 20—.20c. + .50c. commemorative for Stamp Day picturing a Paris Local Post Mailman of the period 1760; March 27: .030c. stamp to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Jean Nicot.

The Ministry of Posts informs us that the 0.20 NF Aristide Maillol stamp which was issued on February 18, 1961, was printed in sheets of 50, perf. 13; the 0.50 NF Orly Airport stamp which was issued February 25, 1961, was printed in sheets of 50, perf. 13. Both these stamps were reported here on March 4, 1961. We have received on cover from *Emile Boulard, of Paris*, the aforementioned Aristide Maillol stamp.

GERMANY (EAST)—On March 3, 1961, two stamps will be issued for the Leipzig Spring Fair 1961. The 10pf. green-gray stamp shows a 380 kilowatt switch and the 25pf. blue-gray the Leipzig Press Center building. The designer is *Dietrich Dorfstecher*. The stamps were printed by offset by the VEB Deutsche Wertpapierdruckerei, Leipzig on cross-flowers watermarked paper.

—Fritz Barz
Joachim Dill

GERMANY (WEST BERLIN)—Our thanks to *Gerd Kleinhempel* for a first day cover dated February 16, 1961, with the 20f orange-red and black stamp issued to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the death of Hans Boeckler, President of the German Labor Union. This stamp has been thoroughly reported in our issue of February 25 and March 4, 1961.

HUNGARY—Our thanks to *Philatelia Hungarica* for first day covers dated February 24, 1961, with the ten-value "Budapest Zoo" set which was reported in detail in our issue of March 4, 1961. The stamps have the following values and subjects: 20f. Kangaroo with young, 30f. Bison, 40f. Brown Bear, 60f. Elephant and young, 80f. Tiger with two cubs, 1f. Ibex, 1.40f. Ice Bear, 2f. Zebra with young, 2.60f. Bison Cow with calf, 3f. Main Entrance to Budapest Zoo.

INDIA—Our thanks to the following for information and first day covers dated February 18, 1961, with the three-value set of stamps issued to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the First Aerial Post as reported here on February 25, 1961: *Dhirubhai Mehta*, Fort Bombay, *Mahendra H. Shah*, Madras, *S. D. Sukhewala*, Bombay, *Sohan Singh Chowdery*, New Delhi, and *S. Ramaswamy*, Madras.

The 5nP golden-green stamp was printed in sheets of 42, perf. 13½ x 14; the 15nP blue-gray and olive-green in sheets of 48, perf. 13; and the Re. 1 blue-gray and red-purple in sheets of 48, perf. 13. The 5nP shows the special postmark used in 1911; the 15nP a Boeing 707 and the original plane; and the Re. 1 the aircraft used in 1911 and the 1911 postmark. The stamps were printed by photogravure on all-over multiple "Lion Capital of Asoka" watermarked paper, at the India Security Press, Nasik Road, where they were designed by Staff Artists of India.

Dhirubhai Mehta advises that one stamp is planned for March honoring the musician Bhatkhande; if issued, he advises, it is likely to be of the 15nP. denomination. He also informs us that a stamp to celebrate the textile centenary in Ahmedabad has been suggested, but department views are not known.

INDONESIA—On February 15, 1961, a 75 sen stamp was issued to mark the "Planned Overall National Development. It pictures President Soekarno swinging the first hoe, and watched by representatives of the functional groups.

Also of recent issue are three stamps showing agricultural products, Scott's Type A76 of 1960, surcharged and overprinted "BENTJANA ALAM 1961" (Earth Disaster). The surcharge is for the emergency fund created for the recent floods in Java. The values are 20+15 sen, 15+10 sen, and 75+25 sen.

—Harsojo
Lim Tjeng In

ISRAEL—On April 18, 1961, the 13th Independence Day commemorative series and the "Hapoel" Sports Festival commemorative stamp will be issued.

The three stamps celebrating Independence Day, denominations IL 0.07, IL 0.12 and IL 0.32, will portray flowers of Israel. The stamps, designed by *Z. Narkiss* of Tel Aviv, are multi-colored. They are being printed by photo offset on unwatermarked paper by Lewis-Epstein Ltd., Bat Yam, comb-Perf. The post-office sheet contains twenty stamps with five tabs adjacent to the bottom row.

The "Hapoel" Sports Festival commemorative, issued on the occasion of the 7th International Congress of the Hapoel Sports Organization, is a multi-colored, IL 0.25 denomination issue, showing a javelin thrower superimposed on the figure seven. The stamp was designed by *O. Adler*, Tel Aviv, and printed by Lewis-Epstein Ltd., Bat Yam, on unwatermarked paper, comb-perf. The post-office sheet contains fifteen stamps in three horizontal rows with five tabs adjacent to the bottom row.

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KATANGA—*H. A. Tuthill* reports that two additional designs were added to the seven-value postage-due set he reported here February 25, 1961. Again, they were produced by overprinting by handstamp, and the values are 20c and 50c (these same values were reported in the seven-value set).

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Mr. Tuthill also reports that he has been advised that the "Arts of Katanga" set, which he reported here February 18, 1961, as being issued February 15 in twelve values, has been increased to fourteen values by adding a 50Fr. and a 100Fr. stamp.

KOREA (SOUTH)—On March 23, 1961, a stamp and souvenir sheet will be issued to commemorate the First Anniversary of World Meteorological Day. On April 7, 1961, a stamp and souvenir sheet will be issued to commemorate the Tenth Anniversary of World Health Day. Sometime during March or April a stamp and souvenir sheet will be issued to commemorate the Completion of the Atomic Pile.

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LIECHTENSTEIN—During May 1961 a set of five stamps will be issued showing Minnesingers. The designs have been taken from the *Manessische Liederhandschrift*, a book written by hand in Switzerland in the 14th century. The stamps are being printed in original color (six colors each) by Courvoisier as follows: 15 r. Heinrich von Frauenberg, 25 r. Ulrich von Liechtenstein, 35 r. Ulrich von Gutenberg, 1 Fr. Konrad von Altstaetten, 1.50 Fr. Walther von der Vogelweide.

—Joachim Dill

LUXEMBOURG—The release of the recently announced three regulars will be postponed to May according to reports from Luxembourg.

During May 1961 a set of animal stamps will be issued for Animal Protection. Details on the designs are not yet available.

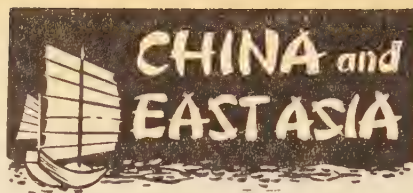
—Joachim Dill

NETHERLANDS—On April 24, 1961, a Summer Semipostals set will be issued showing Dutch birds. Details are not yet available.

—Joachim Dill

POLAND—Through the courtesy of *Ars Polona* we have received information and mint stamps of the 60 gr. commemorative for the Fourth Congress of Polish Engineers, issued February 11, 1961, reported here on February 18, 1961; and the set commemorating the First Winter Spartacist Games of Allied Socialist Forces, (40 gr., 60 gr., 1 zl., 1.50 zl.) issued February 1, 1961, reported and shown in our issue of February 25, 1961. Our thanks to Dr. M. A. Rayall de Ragan, Kowary, for a first day cover with these Winter Games stamps.

SAN MARINO—On February 16, 1961, four new "Paesaggio" definitives were issued duplicating designs used on other denominations which came out in 1957, Scott's Types A78 and A79. The four values include a 1 lire blue, green and black (Hospital Street); 4 lire indigo and dark brown (Government Building); 30 lire violet and light brown (Gate Tower) and 115 lire brown and blue (Covered Market of Borgo Maggiore). Also on February 16, 1961, a 500-lire



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SPAIN—We are indebted to *P. L. Aroniz* and *F. Balairon* for a first day cover dated January 23, 1961, with the 1 pta orange and 5 ptas sepia World Refugee stamps which were reported and shown in our issue of February 11, 1961.

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Maureen P. Chamberlain, Bolivar, has supplied the additional information that 140th Anniversary of the Battle of Carabobo occurs on June 24, 1961, and that the stamps will depict various battle scenes and carry the inscription "Republic of Venezuela", "1821-1961" and "140th Anniversary of the Battle of Carabobo."

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